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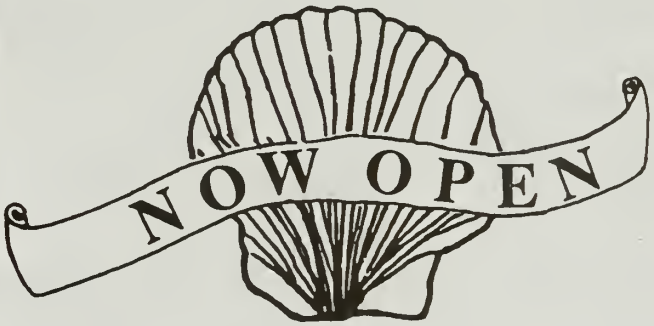

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Leaving the Fire Fighting Fold

Mattapoisett Fire Chief Plans for Retirement

For Mattapoisett Fire Chief Donald C. Wood — known to most residents simply as "Woody" — his lifelong fire fighting career has been an extension of his own family.

"Fire departments are very much a family affair," Chief Wood said. "You'll find an awful lot of families who work together in the fire departments in many cities and even in smaller towns."

In fact, Chief Wood cites his father — former Mattapoisett Fire Chief Kenneth Wood — as the inspiration for his vocation.

"As kids I remember we used to jump on our bicycles and chase him to fires that were within riding distance," Chief Wood said. "That's what did it for me."

The elder Chief Wood served the town in the same capacity as his son for nearly 50 years, having embarked on a similar path as his progeny when he started as a part-time volunteer during the war.

"I was working in Springfield, close to the end of World War I," the senior chief said. "I had completed my duty with the Navy in 1919 and they needed ex-servicemen to fill in at the fire department."

The beginning of his son's career started very much on the same note. After working as a volunteer with the Mattapoisett Fire Department in 1941 in the early part of World War II, he returned to work as a career fire fighter for the government in 1950, working at both Camp Edwards and Fort Devens.

After retiring from his full-time position, he literally followed in his father's footsteps,working on the Mattapoisett Fire Department where he eventually took over his dad's former position in 1985.

Over the years, Chief Wood has been known for both his willingness to go that extra mile and, being retired from full-time service, his availability to the department. It's something he hopes won't taint the image of his successor.

"I hope I haven't spoiled it for the new person coming in," he said, "because I think he's going to have to revise his whole system simply because of the availability I've given.

"I think with the new chief coming in, his biggest task is going to be to reorganize and get the rest of the department to help in conducting (fire code) inspections. If he's not going to be as available as I was, he's going to have to pass some of this work around. I had the time, so I didn't need as much help."

Chief Wood is as organized and committed as he is easy-going. Throughout his tenure as chief of the department, he is most proud of the strides he's made in upgrading and maintaining equipment, and being able to manage his fiscal budget despite serious financial shortfalls in recent years. It is this tenacity which drives him even in his final days on the job.

"I want to get some things done here before I leave," he admitted. "There's so many things I'd like to do, but I'm just not going to have the time. We've got a new generator and now I want to get Engine No. 4 fixed.

"Last year, we bought six new SCBA's (Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus), and I put in a (Town Meeting) article this year for six more. That should update us fairly well. I just don't want to leave a big mess for the next chief coming in."

Although in a small town like Mattapoisett there isn't an abundance of full-scale fires, Chief

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Our mailing address has also changed to P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. All correspondence should be mailed to this address only, unless left at our office in person.

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Wood recalled some of the more memorable ones — among them the Harbor Beach Club fire in 1982 and several mutual aid calls to both New Bedford and Fall River.

"I've been to an awful lot of fires in 52 years," he said. "Some of the worst fires were down at the Miles Standish Reservation a few years ago before they started the no burning law. We had some brush fires that went on for three or four days."

For most people who can't fathom why anyone would want to risk life and limb to run into a burning building, one look at Chief Wood speaks volumes. It's not an issue of being a hero or going for the glory, but simply something he feels compelled to do.

"I've enjoyed the satisfaction of doing a good job," he said. "And I've really enjoyed the camaraderie. I have met many, many people affiliated with fire departments that I'm still very friendly with. In fact, when I was working as a full-time fire fighter, I made great friends because we used to work 72 hours a week — 24 on, 24 off — and you didn't live with a person for 72 hours a week without becoming friendly with them."

"That's important," he said. "Because if you make friends, you know they are going to back you up in a problem. I've never met a fireman who would run away if one of his buddies was in trouble."

In many ways, Chief Wood said fire fighting has become easier over the years, especially with the advent of fire education in the schools and great advancements in fire prevention — most notably required smoke detectors in homes.

"I really think the number of serious fires is dropping," he said. "The smoke detectors have made a great difference. I have no idea — and I don't think anyone else does — how many little fires people have in their houses today which are prevented by smoke detectors. You might have a little fire in the wastebasket which you can put out with a bucket of water. Whereas years ago without the smoke detectors that fire might have blossomed into something serious."

Having notified the Board of Selectmen that his tenure will officially end on April 30, Chief Wood is looking forward to some time off from the job. But he doesn't see himself as taking a permanent vacation, either.

"I'm certainly not going to sit around the house and fade," he said. "You really can't just shut the door on fire fighting after 50 years."

One suspects that Chief Wood will surely make some regular stops at the Fire Station and he has openly offered his services to help break in his as yet unknown successor.

And it's apparent that he'll miss what has been a lifelong career.

"To be honest, I don't regret a minute of it," he said. "If I was 40 years younger, I'd start right

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over again. I might do some things a little different, but I'd start in the same career.

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- one orange & white tiger, with a recently-amputated tail.

Thanks to some of our readers last week, the adorable black and white mother and kitten pair pictured here were adopted by a family in Dartmouth.

If you are interested in adopting one of these animals, or if you'd like to offer your services to this needy group, please call either Priscilla Thompson at 758-2896 or Mary Lou Kobak at 758-9202.

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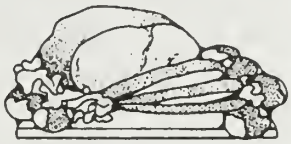

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Mattapoisett Selectmen's Meeting

February 9, 1993

A regular meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, February 9 at 7:06 pm by Chairman John N. DeCosta. Also present were Selectman Paul E. Lambalot, Selectman Daniel O. Mahoney and Secretary Melody Mills.

Chairman DeCosta began by calling upon Personnel Board members Ridgway J. Crouch and Linda Francis, who came before them to discuss hiring a new Fire Chief with Donald C. Wood's pending retirement on April 30. The board explained that they wanted to advertise the position to generate some interest in qualified applicants and have candidates submit a letter and resume to the them within two weeks of posting the notice.

"Basically, I think the management and direction of the department will remain the same," said Selectman Lambalot.

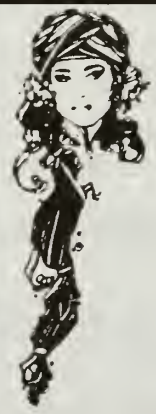
The part-time position, which pays an annual salary of $7,000, consists of being on call at all times in case of an emergency. Chief Wood has been very good about being available on call since he is retired and resides in town. Selectman Mahoney said that was certainly something that should be stressed when advertising for the position.

"It's essentially a full-time job with a part-time salary," he said. "I think it would be wise to post the salary with the advertisement and not get caught up in using the terms 'part-time' or full-time.'"

When asked if they could post a salary range so that more qualified applicants might consider the position, Mr. Crouch said the salary is a flat annual rate and had to be advertised as such.

Both the Selectmen and Personnel Board agreed to post notice of the vacancy on Wednesday afternoon (February 10) and set the cut-off date for applications at 14 days later (February 24).

Selectman Mahoney also suggested talking with Chief Wood about staying on until the end of the fiscal year, if it didn't conflict with his plans or



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pension plan, so that they could hire the new chief at the beginning of a fresh fiscal year.

The Personnel Board also had some questions about the pending Family Leave Bill now in Congress which would mandate unpaid maternity leave for employees, and Mr. Crouch wanted to know if they should consult Town Counsel if it applies to municipalities.

"There are some employees who could fall under that legislation," Mr. Crouch said. "We wanted some guidance as to how we should approach this."

Selectman Mahoney said he thought there was already a state statute in Massachusetts which governed maternity leave, in particular, and family leave in a broader sense. He suggested that the board review this law (MA General Laws Chapter 151-B, Section 4) to see if it currently applies to town employees.

"If it's a question of whether there are some people who fit into that category and the law is passed, I think we should allow them in good faith to take the leave if necessary," Selectman Lambalot said.

Finally, Chairman DeCosta advised members of the press that the Personnel Board is in need of active members for their group. Anyone who might be interested in filling one of two vacancies on the

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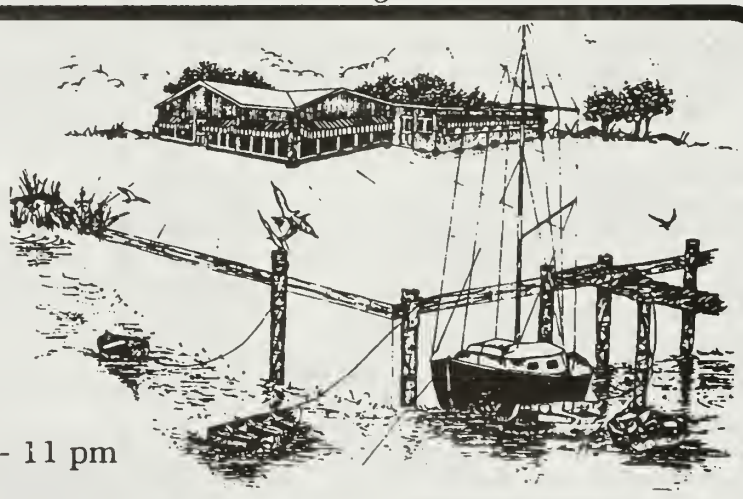

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board should contact the Selectmen's Office at Town Hall (758-4100). The board currently has only three full members and should have five.

Mr. Richard Mecke of Lakeville next asked to speak to Selectmen on a subdivision he recently built on Michelle Lane off of North Street in town. Mr. Mecke was concerned because he was told that it was too late to submit an article for the Annual Town Meeting warrant to accept the street as a public way.

"I wanted to see what could be done to get this article on the warrant," he said.

Selectman Mahoney admitted that he didn't know the specifics of the matter, but explained that such plans take a great deal of time and preparation and he thinks that Executive Secretary Carol Adams was probably of the mind that all the necessary paperwork wouldn't be ready for inclusion on the Annual Town Meeting warrant.

"I would suggest that we discuss this with Ms. Adams and ask that you contact (Engineer Arthur C. Thompson) so that we can have all the paperwork here by Friday afternoon," Mr. Mahoney said. "Once we see the paperwork, we can determine whether there's enough time to move on it before the Annual Town Meeting."

Mr. Mecke admitted that he and Engineer Arthur C. Thompson had been slow in getting everything filed and appreciated the board's consideration and help. Mr. Mecke constructed the subdivision which presently has four houses — three of which he owns.

The board next approved the minutes of the February 2, 1993 meeting as presented and signed payrolls, bills, licenses, permits, and correspondence for the week. Selectman Mahoney next moved a permit request for one pool table license from Jim Mahaney at the Reservation Golf Club located on 10 Reservation Road, which was approved with a unanimous vote of the board.

The following meetings were next cited by Chairman DeCosta for the week:

• Thursday, February 11, 7:30 pm — Cable Meeting with Continental Cablevision to discuss Form 100 in the Selectmen's Office.

• Friday, February 12, 3:15 pm — Housing Co-Op Meeting with Rep. Barney Frank in Rochester Town Hall.

• Saturday, February 13, 9:00 am — Budget

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• Monday, February 15 — Mattapoisett Town Hall will be closed in observance of President's Day.

The board next went over incoming correspondence for the week, beginning with a letter from John DeRugeris of Coast Line Engineering, Inc. regarding the town's plans to install electrical cables at the three town wharfs. Mr. DeRugeris advised Harbormaster Steve Mach that such service would cause rapid corrosion of the newly installed sheetpile foundation in the Middle and Long Wharfs and possibly the older sheet piles on Short Wharf.

Selectman Mahoney agreed the board should consult with Mr. DeRugeris and Steve Mach to see what needs to be done to avoid this problem and how much additional cost it will incur.

H. Leland Craver, President of the Marion/Mattapoisett/Rochester Housing Co-Op, Inc. next informed the board that the deadline for applications in the Soft Second Mortgage Loan Program has been extended until such time that all of the available $90,000 in assistance is used.

Chairman DeCosta said that anyone who is interested in applying for the program can pick up an application and information at Town Hall.

Copies of letters sent to Rep. Tarr, Rep. Krekorian, and Rep. Hynes from Middleboro Selectmen Chairman Roger Brunelle were next sent to the board. Mr. Brunelle wanted to extend his appreciation to the representatives for their hard work and intervention on behalf of the Education Reform Bill, despite its failure to pass in Congress.

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A copy of a Letter to the Editor from Marion resident Tyler Blethen was next sent to the board. Mr. Blethen complimented all members of the tri-town Boards of Selectmen for participating in the Joint Meeting on January 28.

The board next received a copy of the minutes of the January 12 meeting of the Mattapoisett Council on Aging (COA) for their review.

Mr. Richard Marx, Chairman of the Community Relations Subcommittee of the Marion, Mattapoisett, Rochester and Old Rochester Regional School Committees, next sent a letter to the board along with a copy of ORR's "Philosophy of Education" statement. Mr. Marx wanted to inform the board and invite their participation in a series of "Listening Sessions" slated for each town during March. The sessions will be held on:

- Monday, March 1 in the Sippican School Auditorium, Marion.
- Tuesday, March 2 in the Memorial School Cafeteria, Rochester.
- Wednesday, March 3 in the Old Hammondtown School Cafeteria, Mattapoisett.

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A letter was received from Barbara Ketchel objecting to the recent increase in the minimum cubic foot allowance for water usage. Ms. Kethcel claimed that the increase will "make it very difficult to conserve water use and to control our bills."

A special "thank you" letter was also sent to Chairman DeCosta from Mrs. Grader, Co-Chairperson of the Garden Group, for taking the time to construct flower boxes for the front of Town Hall. These boxes are being donated by the Garden Group and wood and supplies were graciously donated by Mahoney's Building Supply Center.

Under the Executive Secretary's report, Ms. Mills advised the board that presently all wharf-related and skiff space monies are collected by the Town Treasurer/Collector. The Town Clerk would like to include the wharfage and skiff space along with mooring and sticker billing for collection, which is now done through her department. This would bring all collection of monies dealing with the wharf under one department. Ms. Mills said the Treasurer/Collector has no objection to the change and the Department of Revenue has also approved the move, pending final approval of the Selectmen.

The selectmen unanimously approved the change, agreeing it would save on paperwork and billing procedures.

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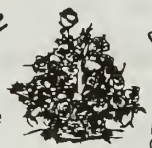

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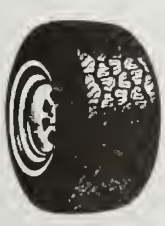

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"I think it makes sense and will certainly make it easier to keep records," said Selectman Lambalot.

Chairman DeCosta also noted that he received a call from someone who was concerned about increases in wharf/slip fees at the waterfront, but later discovered that the plaintiff in this case had upgraded to a larger slip which resulted in the increased fee. None of the waterfront fees have been raised.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they adjourned for the evening at 7:52 pm.

Marion Selectmen's Meeting

February 9, 1993

By Chandra Dewing

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, February 9 at 7:00 pm by Chairwoman Loretta B. Schaefer. Also present were Selectman James S. Dougall, Selectman Edwin "Ted" Pratt Jr., Executive Secretary Ray E. Pickles and Secretary Helene Craver.

After signing warrants and correspondence for the week, the board approved the minutes of the February 2, 1993 meeting as presented.

Mr. Tyler Blethen, who attended the Joint Tri-Town Boards of Selectmen meeting on January 28, voiced his opinion in a Letter to the Editor. To sum it up, Mr. Blethen expressed his gratitude with the way the meeting was handled by the respective officials and townspeople. The emotional atmosphere was one of enthusiasm, loyalty and desires to correct current tri-town problems.

At 7:10 pm, Department of Public Works (DPW) Superintendent Robert Zora and Richard Guerzoni met with the Selectmen to discuss Camp, Dresser & McKee Inc. (CDM). CDM presented a summary of who held positions in the company and what these positions entailed. A communications problem between the Town of Marion and the company has recently caused problems. But the

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board decided that the money spent on CDM was well worth it to the Town of Marion.

At 7:25 pm, the Veterans Memorial Committee came in to discuss the transport of the Veterans Monument at Town Hall to Old Landing. Committee member Edward A. Briggs would like to see the change take place. "I think it would be nice to have it with all the other monuments," he said. The cost entailed for the transfer is currently unknown, but will be decided at a later date.

At 7:30 pm, concerned citizens from town met to voice their opinions about the potential repairs and uses of the Music Hall, including groups like the VFW, Boy Scouts, Coast Guard Auxiliary, Library, Art Center and others. In a collaborative effort, the group attempted to strive towards achieving the ultimate goal — which would be to find a way to use the facility so that it is cost-efficient.

Recommended Music Hall repairs are estimated at $250,000. In order to fund the project, ideas included applying for a federal grant, garner money through fund raising and have residents make donations to the effort. Many people wanted to put some of the space to use. Among them were Jane Babbitt of the Marion Art Center. "It could be a really great center for community activity," she said.

The Music Hall needs repairs to the roof, window sills and exterior brick work — all of which are in dire conditions. Chairwoman Schaefer said that "we need to do something before it crumbles around us."

In conclusion, the board decided to put together a Music Hall Study Committee to investigate the Music Hall replenishing and implementation.

Resident Robert A. Gibbons discussed his letter from last week with Selectmen and they came up with the following key points:

• The public sewers for the entire town are presently being looked into by the Wastewater Facilities Planning Committee.

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• The issue of potential uses for the Music Hall was already addressed.

• The excise tax placed on boat owners was implemented for the good of the community. Several projects concluded that the money was needed to combat pollution problems throughout the Buzzards Bay area. Selectman Pratt was accused by Mr. Gibbons of neglecting to let citizens have a say in the tax bill. But Selectman Pratt responded by saying "I am not interested in taxing people, but in providing a fair and equitable way for everyone."

Lastly, Mr. Ted MacDougall recommended that the board limit the use of municipal telephones. Personal phone calls by town employees are ill-advised since they result in the loss of productivity and an increase in costs to the town.

There being no further business to discuss, the board adjourned for the evening at 9:30 pm.

Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

February 8, 1993

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, February 8, 1993 at 7:04 pm by Chairman Harry A. Brown Jr. Also present were Selectman Lorraine Roy Hawkes, Selectman David L. Hughes, and Administrative Secretary Shirley A. Ferreira.

When considering the approval of the minutes from the February 1, 1993 meeting, Selectman Hawkes asked that a change be made in on page 89, so the record could read "don't you have faith in the integrity of the people who serve on town boards?"

That change made, the board unanimously approved the minutes as submitted.

Chairman Brown next called upon Herring Inspector William D. Watling for a scheduled 7:00 pm appointment. Mr. Watling came before the board to ask their advice on appointing two Deputy Herring Inspectors to assist him in the coming year.

"Now's the time to get a couple of people to help police the area," Mr. Watling said. "I wanted to find out if it was legal for me to appoint some

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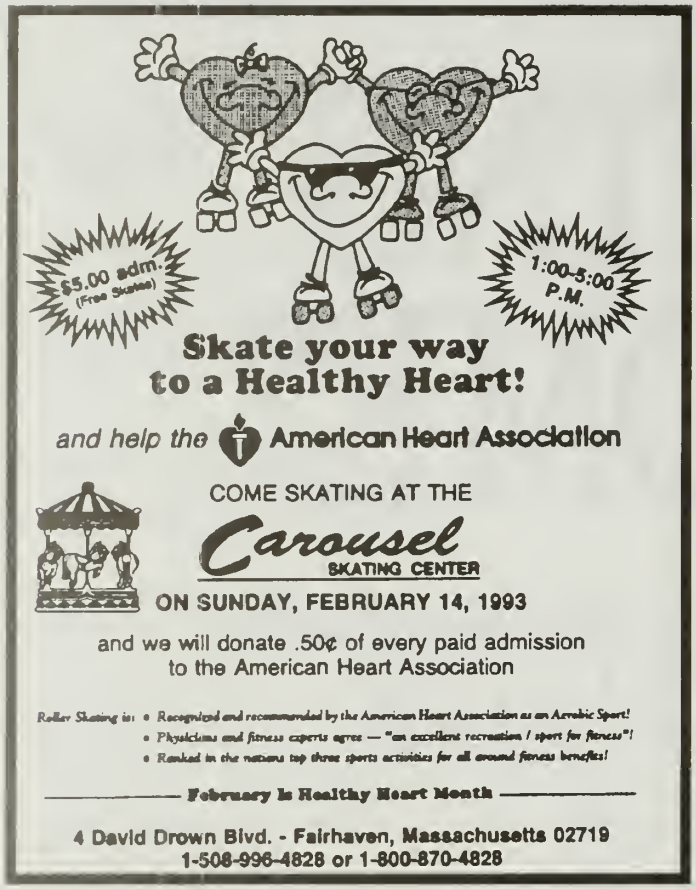
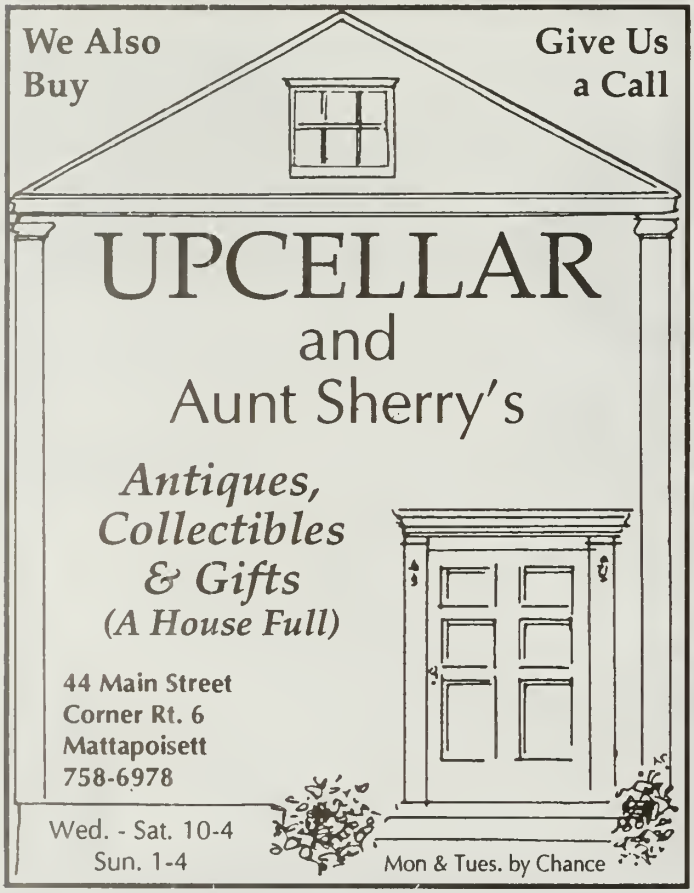




people."

Selectman Hughes said he didn't think there would be a problem, but questioned if any wages or budget increases would be involved.

Mr. Watling said he was recommending that two people be appointed as Deputy Herring Inspectors for the year: Arthur Benner (Cushman Road) and his son, David Watling (Cushman Road). The two would be appointed for a wage of $100 per year to cover gasoline and traveling expenses.

Both Chairman Brown and Selectman Hughes said appointing his son for a paid position would create a conflict of interest, and recommended that the money be paid to both appointees as a "travel expense" out of the budget (at a standard rate of 29 cents per mile).

"I don't think you can appoint your son and pay him a salary," Selectman Hughes said. "That's definitely a conflict of interest. You'd be better off just compensating them for their mileage."

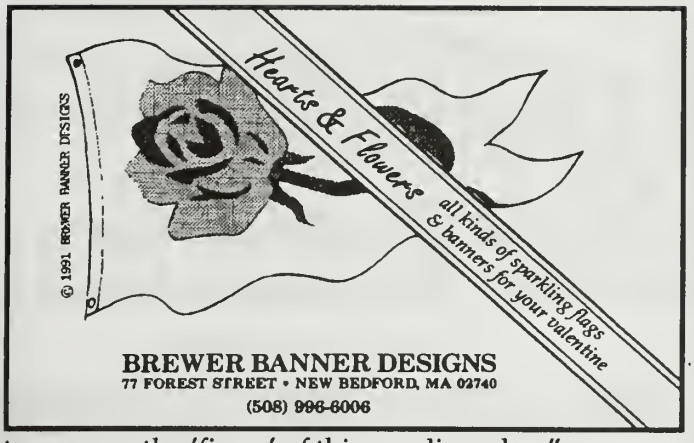
Mr. Watling agreed and said he would be taking the fuel compensation money (about $250 per year) out of his regular operating budget.

Allan Stata, the town's SRPEDD Representative, next came before the board to bring them up to date on the recent workings of the regional planning district.

Mr. Stata recommended that the board look over some of the material recently published by the Southeast Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD), especially a new Southeastern Massachusetts Fact Book which provides essential information for the tri-town and neighboring areas.

Mr. Stata also addressed the issue of how Rochester and its residents would like to perceive the town in the years ahead — should it remain a bedroom community or would residents like to see some economical development in the near future?

"We really need to look at the question of where we are now and where do we want to be in the future," Mr. Stata said. "I feel that Rochester really needs an Economic Development Committee



to serve as the 'fixers' of this pending plan."

Selectman Hughes agreed that it was something the town and its Industrial Development Board should take under advisement. Mr. Hughes recommended that this matter be brought to the board's attention and that the Selectmen also keep future development projects of this type in mind.

Before leaving, Selectman Hughes also asked Mr. Stata if he would be interested in serving on the Small Town Economic Development Committee in the wake of Heather Bare's resignation last week.

Mr. Stata declined, saying "It's really not good for me to have several different related tasks because it will limit the town's votes."

Chairman Brown next began going over incoming correspondence for the week, beginning with a notice from the Marion/Mattapoisett/ Rochester Housing Co-Op, Inc. advising the board that the time frame for applying for the Soft Second Loan Mortgage Program has been extended indefinitely until the available $90,000 in assistance is allocated.

A request for the floor plans of the town's fire and police communication areas was sent to selectmen from the Plympton, MA. Chairman Brown said they are probably looking for model plans on which to base their own renovations.

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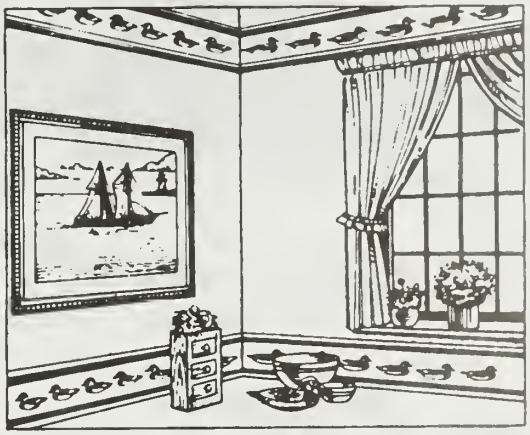

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Rep. Krekorian, and Rep. Hynes concerning the Education Reform Bill in the House was next on the agenda. The letters extended appreciation to each of the representatives for their hard work on the bill and empathized with their frustration in dealing with Rep. Mark Roosevelt.

A complimentary letter was also next sent to the board from Marion resident Tyler Blethen, praising the tri-town selectmen's efforts during a joint meeting held on January 28 in Marion. Mr. Blethen felt the three boards interacted very well and managed to discuss some very important and viable issues in the time allotted.

Selectman Hughes asked that a thank note be sent to Mr. Blethen for his comments.

Chairman Brown next called upon a 7:30 pm appointment with Fire Chief Duffy Clapp to discuss his department's budget for fiscal year 1993-1994. Selectman Hughes began by asking Mr. Clapp about the recommended 15 percent increase in salaries, which he explained would represent merit increases for certain employees, including the EMT's.

The Salary/Wages increases would be incremented over a three-year period to bring them in line with other area towns, according to Mr. Clapp.

The Selectmen all agreed with Mr. Duffy's recommendation and approved $31,500 in salaries and wages for fiscal year 1993-1994.

Next, the board and Mr. Clapp discussed the department's Fire/Ambulance Expense Account. Mr. Clapp said that since upgrading the fire station's electrical system is complete and most of the department's training is done "in-house" by officers presently working with the department, he wouldn't need a large increase in general expenses, barring any unforeseen circumstances.

The board unanimously approved Mr. Duffy's recommendation of $22,200 in Fire/Ambulance expenses.

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to consider was Capital Outlay. Mr. Duffy said that the only thing that might be needed in the near future is a heating system at the fire station, as the current one is starting to wear.

The board approved Mr. Duffy's recommendation for $5,000 in Capital Outlay for fiscal year 1993-1994.

Lastly, Mr. Duffy recommended $500 be allocated for the department's Tank Inspection Budget, which the board also unanimously approved.

Chairman Brown also asked who owns the communications center, to which Mr. Duffy responded that the fire department did. Chairman

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Brown was curious as the E-911 telephone system will be put into effect in Rochester later this year (probably October).

"I just want to make you aware that if we go through the modifications to accommodate the 911 system, it will very likely come out of your budget," Chairman Brown said.

Before leaving, Mr. Duffy also told the board that he is considering placing an article on the upcoming Town Meeting warrant to increase his salary due to the increased amount of time he's been spending on the job.

"I've talked to some Fire Chiefs in other area towns just to see what they make," Mr. Duffy said, "and when I found out I was flabbergasted. This is almost becoming a full-time job for me. It's taking a lot of time to do inspections and, frankly, it's taking away from the town and my other duties."

Both Selectman Hughes and Selectman Hawkes asked that Mr. Duffy submit some idea as to how much of an increase he would be asking for. Mr. Duffy currently earns $14,075 a year as Fire Chief and clocked in over 200 hours of service last year.

"I'm not in this position for the pay," he said. "We've come a long way and I think we've got a good department."

Mr. Duffy also said he will be meeting with his department later in the week to discuss submitting another article on the Annual Town Meeting warrant to purchase a new fire engine, as the existing vehicles are 1950, 1951 and 1964 models.

Turning back to correspondence, Chairman Brown said the town received a check for $50 from SEMASS for the removal of a cow carcass by the Animal Control Officer last month. SEMASS also sent a notice to the board that as of April 1, 1993 they will no longer be accepting glass or metal at the site.

Selectman Hughes asked that they send a note to the Board of Health about this matter and ask if they are looking at any alternatives to deal with glass and metal after that time.

Information was received from the Massachusetts Korean War Veterans Memorial advising anyone interested in contributing to the effort can now purchase a memorial brick for $250, which will be placed in a war memorial monument.

Carol E. Carreiro, the Director of the town's Council on Aging (COA), sent a letter to the board notifying them that she has accepted a position as

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the Director of the New Bedford COA and will therefore be leaving her position with Rochester. She said she will surely miss "God's country" and thanked the board for their support over the years. Ms. Carreiro assumes her new position on February 22.

The board will send her a thank you letter along with a congratulatory note. The COA will be responsible for recommending a replacement for Ms. Carreiro.

Under Old Business, the board granted a Class II Earth Removal Permit for LaFrance, but refused to renew the same for J. Barboza and Charles Hastings due to outstanding taxes to the town and lack of action in dealing with the matter.

"I don't think we should grant either permit," Selectman Hawkes said, referring to the latter two considerations. "Both have failed to reply to our requests for an affidavit and haven't made a good-faith effort in doing so."

Selectman Hughes agreed. "If they aren't willing to accommodate us, I don't think we should renew their Earth Removal permits," he said.

Another pending permit renewal for Hastings was also denied until such time that sections of cut asphalt are removed from the property. A fine of $20 per day will be incurred if these property owners continue to remove soil from their property without a validated permit.

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Under New Business, the board said they received a request from the Rochester Police Department to meet with them to discuss step increases in wages and the possibility of changing to three-year appointments. The board agreed to meet with members of the police department on February 22 at 8:00 pm during their regular meeting.

Chairman Brown also noted that Rep. Straus called to notify them that he is pursuing the Department of Employment and Training (DET) to see if he can get some information on the town's paying of unemployment benefits to part-time employees.

New England Telephone also notified the board that they will be upgrading the phone systems in town to accommodate a tracer line for use with the soon-to-be-installed E-911 system.

Selectman Hughes then motioned that Selectman Hawkes serve as temporary Chairperson as Chairman Brown will not be available next week. Chairman Brown seconded the motion.

There being no further business to come before the board, they adjourned for the evening at 8:36 pm.

ORR Update

By Heather Bokelkamp

Congratulations to the 1993 inductees of the National Honor Society. The new members are: Ryan Abraham, Elisabeth Arruda, Thomas Bonneau, Brian Campbell, Amy Chase, Kenneth Cutler, Rebecca Gayoski, Heather Hartley, Courtney Hohne, Mary Anna Hunt, James Leverone, Kelli Smith, Heather Stroud, Erica Thrall, Albert Ting, Susan Voit, and Crystal Walsh.

The inductees for the National Honor Society are chosen for their outstanding scholarship (a Grade Point Average of 3.7 or higher), service to the school, and leadership among their peers.

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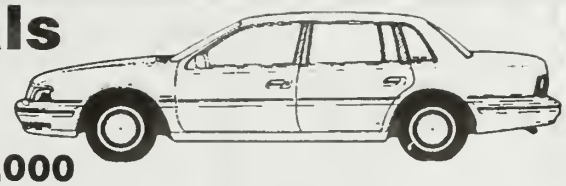

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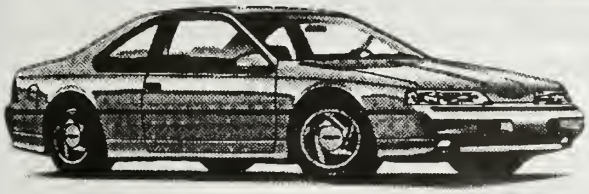

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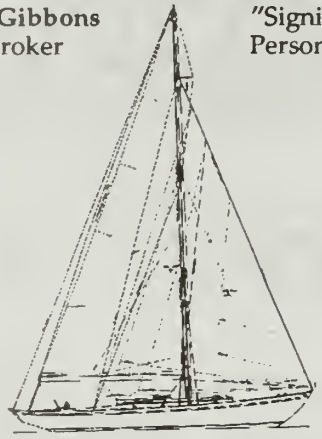

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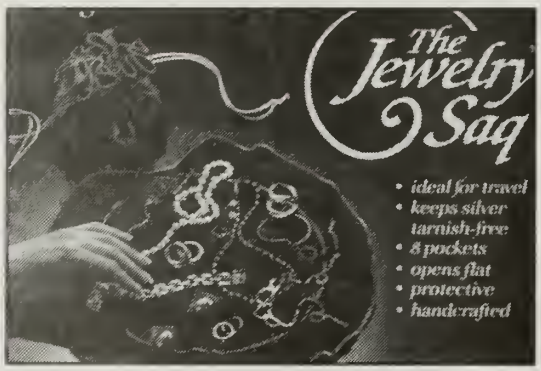

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In other news:

• The senior class wants to make this year's Yearbook the best yet, but they can't do it without local support. If you would like to purchase an advertisement for the Yearbook, please contact the school at 758-3725.

• Report cards will be given to students on Friday, February 12.

• February (Winter) Break will be from Monday, February 15 to Friday, February 19. Classes will resume on Monday, February 22.

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

Addressing the Joint Meeting on January 28 of the Marion/Mattapoisett/Rochester Boards of Selectmen, I express my appreciation to the nine Selectpersons who attended this meeting, hosted by the Selectpersons of Marion.

They came together, at one time, in one place, and of one mind ... to address matters of concern to all three towns.

The agenda of this meeting was thoughtful, timely, and appropriate: to address areas of concern for which they are responsible to their towns' citizen/taxpayers, and in which the three towns share a common interest.

These include: Old Rochester Regional capital needs; a tri-town transfer, composting and recycling center; a regional landfill; a regional wetlands specialist; a regional resident/project engineer; and septage disposal.

Each of them is significantly important in its contribution to the well-being of every citizen. Each of them is worthy of discussion and consideration among the towns.

I considered my attendance during the meeting's two and one-half hours to have been well-spent and rewarding.

I appreciate the expenditure of time and energy, and the abilities of, and thoughtful contributive give-and-take among the participants in

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their obvious desire to find appropriate solutions to these problems.

It was especially gratifying to see first-hand the earnest demeanor of all members of the boards, coming together in this public forum on behalf of the people of their towns, and emphasizing the peoples' good interests in carrying out the responsibility of their accountability to the taxpayers.

Their approach to regionalizing various aspects of municipal problems speaks to their recognition that therein lies opportunity to control costs, by sharing among the towns expenses of certain common needs, as the means of saving money for taxpayers.

As a Marion citizen/taxpayer/observer at the meeting, I felt good about the frank discussion, the cooperation, courage, and enthusiasm exhibited throughout by the members of the boards. They accentuated the positive and displayed respect for the well-being of the voters, and sincere regard for the actions of the legislative bodies of the towns — the Town Meetings — without whose mandates nothing requiring money can function. Not management of schools, or water, or sewerage, or safeguard of health, or provision for landfill.

Those who would say that Selectmen "can do many things with no voter accountability," apparently overlook the legal mandate of the Commonwealth that the Town Meeting is the legislative body of a town.

Further, "Selectmen/Selectwomen" are exactly that ... they are "selected" by Town Meeting (Town Election is part of and a continuum of the Town Meeting). They are "selected" to manage the town on behalf of its voters. The ultimate accountability occurs every year, when the seat of one of the selected persons, turn by turn, comes up for renewal, at which time the electorate can exercise its option to "reward" by re-electing or "punish" by rejecting the incumbent.

When one considers that "the easiest chair in the house is that of a critic," it appears that the

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Selectmen/Selectwomen are not overpaid ... not in Marion where the job pays at or slightly above minimum wage. It is my understanding that similar pay scales apply to our sister towns.

(They might get a raise at McDonald's!?)

Tyler Blethen
Marion resident

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ORR Athletes Receive Sports Day Award

Two ORR female athletes were presented with a citiation from Rep. William Straus this week in recognition of their athletic achievements. Pictured here at the high school are (from l. to r.): ORR Athletic Director João Rodrigues, award recipients Kami Medeiros and Heather Stroud, Rep. William Straus.

Two ORR girls were recently selected to represent our area as recipients of the Women in Sports Day Award at Fanueil Hall in Boston. This selection was determined on the basis of academics, citizenship, sportsmanship, and athletic

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contributions. This week Rep. William Straus also presented legislative certificates to Kami Medeiros and Heather Stroud at the high school.

Ms. Medeiros has been involved in Field Hockey, Ice Hockey and Softball. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Medeiros of Rochester.

Ms. Stroud has been involved in Cross Country, Winter Track and Spring Track. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. David Stroud of Mattapoisett.

According to ORR's Athletic Director, João Rodrigues, "We could not have picked two better girls to represent our communities. They are very fine young ladies."

Mattapoisett Police Warn Residents of Auto Thefts

The Mattapoisett Police Department wishes to advise residents that there have been a number of breaks into motor vehicles and garages in town. Their investigation shows that these breaks are occurring late in the evening and very early in the morning. It appears that one or more persons walk into yards breaking into primarily unlocked vehicles and garages to steal valuable contents.

The police are asking citizens to call the police station if they hear or see any unusual vehicles. They are also advising residents to lock their vehicles and garages at night.

On each of the nights that the breaks have occurred, a motor vehicle has been stolen from a Mattapoisett resident. In the most recent case, a GMC Jimmy was stolen from a residence and later recovered in Acushnet with contents stolen from several cars in Mattapoisett.

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Mattapoisett Police Log

The following listings are for the week of January 31 - February 7, 1993:

Breaks

- None reported

Larceny

- Acushnet Road — past larceny from motor vehicle

Vandalism

- West Hill Road — vandalism to property

Arrests: 2
Citations: 9
Accidents: 7
Ambulance Runs: 7
Fires/Related: 3
Total Calls for Service: 83

Rochester Police Log

The following listings are for the week of January 31 - February 5, 1993:

- Snipatuit Road — suspicious activity
- New Bedford Road — accident
- Braley Hill Road — suspicious activity
- Mary's Pond Road — suspicious activity
- Pine Street — suspicious activity
- Williams Way — burglar alarm
- High Street — breaking and entering.

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Marion Police Log

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- Wareham Road — suspicious motor vehicle
- Quail's Crossing Road — medical emergency
- Moorings Road — burglar alarm
- Spring Road — burglar alarm
- Wareham Road — burglar alarm
- Blueberry Way — suspicious motor vehicle
- Front Street — burglar alarm
- North Great Hill Road — missing person
- Vine Street — burglar alarm
- Spring Street — motor vehicle theft past
- Allen Street — burglar alarm
- Cranberry Way — juvenile offense
- Wareham Road — animal complaint.

Wanderer Sales Representative Receives Award

Calvin Perkins, Advertising Representative for *The Wanderer*, was recently presented the John Killam Murphy Award for 1993. The annual award is presented to catboat sailors for "something which preserves the tradition of sail in catboats or advances the use of catboats in some new form or makes use of catboats in some novel or unusual way."

The latest restoration project of Calvin Perkins, Cape Girl, *cruises the waters of Buzzards Bay.*

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Mr. Perkins is a retired Coast Guard officer and Master of Ocean Merchant Marine Vessels. A Mattapoisett native, Mr. Perkins was also the navigation and marine science instructor at the Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational School's Fort Rodman campus from 1985 to 1992.

The handsome award, which will remain in Mr. Perkins' possession for the duration of the year, consists of a half-model of its namesake's catboat *Tabby* made by Don Rosencrantz of Essex, CT, one of the country's foremost model builders. It was given to the Catboat Association in 1965 in honor of the 90th birthday of the late John Killam Murphy by a group of his friends. It is the premiere trophy of the Association.

News Editor Debuts Quarterly Newsletter

Fall River native and *Wanderer* News Editor Kenneth J. Souza and Bristol Community College (BCC) Professor Jules R. Ryckebusch have announced the debut of *The Lizzie Borden Quarterly*, a newsletter dedicated to the infamous Borden murder mystery for which Lizzie Borden became legend over 100 years ago.

Having participated in BCC's Lizzie Borden Centennial Conference last August — Mr. Ryckebusch as founder and chairman of the event and Mr. Souza as panel chairman for film and music — the two realized there was a need to keep fellow Borden "buffs," as Mr. Souza has called them, abreast of the latest literature, research, and overall gossip on the century-old crime.

Although there was some initial concern in generating enough material and interest in the project, requests and submissions from the 1300 attendees at last summer's conference have been steadily coming in. "We had enough material to fill

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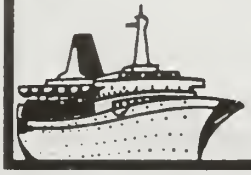

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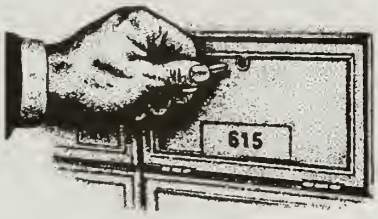

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12 pages in our premiere issue," said Mr. Souza, who is Editor of the quarterly publication, "and we already have some articles on the back burner for issue number two."

Mr. Souza, who has been working as News Editor for *The Wanderer* since its inception in July 1992, was formerly Editor-in-Chief of *The Torch*, the student newspaper of Southeastern Massachusetts University (now UMass Dartmouth), and served as a part-time correspondent for *The Standard-Times*. In conjunction with the centennial conference last year, he wrote, produced and directed an hour-long video documentary on the unsolved crime titled *Lizzie Borden: A Century of Fascination*, which will be going into its second edition this spring.

Circulation for the first issue of the newsletter was set at 1500, most of which were sent via direct mail to registered participants in the August 1992 BCC conference. An annual subscription to the newsletter costs $8 (four issues) and $14 for two years (eight issues). Please address subscription inquiries to *The Lizzie Borden Quarterly*, P.O. Box 1823, Fall River, MA 02722.

ORR Seeks Trades People

ORR is in need of trades people to join in their second annual Chowderfest to be held on March 7. This is a perfect opportunity for professional people to explain their business. If you or someone you know has a service or merchandise to market and would like to join the faculty and students at ORRHS on March 7, please call Paula at 758-6230 or Debbie at 748-2908 by February 14. Help support the school's Drama Club and local businesses.

Mattapoisett Native Earns High Honors

Melissa Garde, a junior at the University of New Hampshire, recently received recognition for attaining High Honors which indicates academic excellence for the Fall Semester (1992-1993). Ms. Garde is majoring in Occupational Therapy. She is the daughter of E. Robert and Diane Garde of Mattapoisett.

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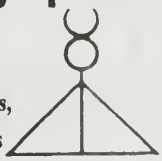

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St. Gabriel's Church — Marion

On Saturday, February 13, the Men's Fellowship, a community-wide group, will hold it annual Valentine Social featuring dinner and entertainment in the St. Gabriel's Parish Hall. On Sunday, February 14, there will be Holy Communion at 8:00 am and Morning Prayer at 10:00 am. A Children's Chapel Service will also be celebrated at the same hour in the chapel.

Marion Mariner Gets Fire Fighting Certificate

Ronald P. Lamothe of Marion has been awarded a Basic and Advanced Marine Fire Fighting Certificate by Northeast Maritime of New Bedford. The certificate is required by the U.S. Coast Guard for Merchant Marine Officer licenses.

Mr. Lamothe completed the five-day course at Northeast Maritime in New Bedford and at the Barnstable County Fire and Police Training Academy in Hyannis.

Mr. Lamothe, an employee of Bengtsson Walker Marine, Inc., is a Second Assistant Engineer on board the Motor Vessel Strong Virginian. Since 1975, he has been serving as an engineer of ocean-going tugs for Theriot Overseas Service, Moran Towing and Poling Brothers, Inc.

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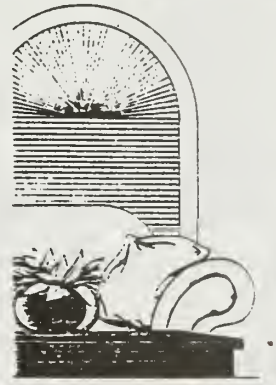

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Mattapoisett Lions Club

Meeting Notes

A club meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 24 at Antone's restaurant. The visiting dignitary will be District Governor Vincent Muir. All members are strongly urged to support the club by attending this event.

Board of Directors Meeting

A meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on March 1 at Shepley Shoals.

Elders Dinner

An Elders Dinner will be held on Saturday, March 13. For further information, please contact Lion Stan Tenters.

Rochester Senior Travellers

The Rochester Senior Travellers are planning for the following trips throughout the year:

- March 24 — Day Trip to Lantana for an Irish Bash Luncheon and entertainment.
- May 10 - 14 — Overnight trip to Granit Hotel.
- June 16 — Joanne Castle at the King Philip Ballroom in Wrentham.
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National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans

The National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans, the week of February 14, is your opportunity to say "thank you" to a special group of men and women — the more than 62,000 veterans in the U.S. armed services who are cared for every day in VA medical centers and nursing homes. Their service and sacrifice have helped preserve the freedoms and the values that Americans cherish.

Another reason the Department of Veterans Affairs conducts the Salute each year is to make your community aware of your local VA medical center's role in providing quality care to veterans. Local medical centers need more community members to volunteer their assistance in providing services to patients.

During the National Salute, your small investment of time spent with veterans at VA medical facilities can bring cheer to many who live far from family or friends. VA doctors, nurses, and volunteers know how much a simple hello and a friendly smile can mean to a hospitalized veteran. It's a prescription you can't fill.

For further information, contact the Brockton VA hospital at 1-583-4500 (ext. 339) or West Roxbury VA hospital at (617) 323-7700 (ext. 5082).

Marion Cancer Support Group

"Strength for Tomorrow," a cancer support group in Marion, meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at the Marion Community Center. Dr. Davis T. Gallison, president of the group, will be on hand to welcome and assist cancer patients, family members and friends.

For further information, please call 748-1611.

Rochester "Friends" to Hold Fish Bake

Don't miss the Fish Bake on Saturday, February 13, sponsored by the "Friends of the Rochester Senior Center." Serving begins at 5:00 pm in the Grange Hall.

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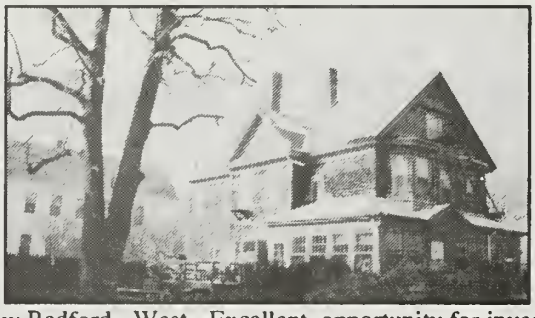

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Food prep is by Bill Watling and Vinnie Lopes of the Plumb Fish Market. The meal will include fish, rice, salad, coffee, rolls, and dessert. Tickets are $5 for adults and $2.50 for children and can be purchased at the door or by calling 763-2075 or 763-5556.

The "Friends" are trying to raise funds to build a multi-purpose Senior Center/Community Center and will appreciate local support.

ORR Budget Information Night

The Budget Subcommittee of the ORR School Committee will be presenting the 1993-94 budget on Wednesday, February 24 at 7:30 pm in the ORR High School Library. This is an opportunity for tri-town residents to learn about the upcoming budget and ask questions of the subcommittee members.

Every voter in Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester is encouraged to become informed about the ORR budget and to vote at their respective Town Meetings and elections. For more information, please call 748-2157 or 748-2410.

"Old" North Rochester Congregational Church

Spaghetti Supper

The "Old" North Rochester Congregational Church will hold a Spaghetti Supper in the Rochester Grange Hall, Saturday, February 20 at 5:00 pm (please note the earlier hour to accommodate many requests). Dinner will include spaghetti with meatballs and homemade sauce, tossed salad, Italian bread with butter, coffee, and our five pies to choose from for dessert (Apple, Custard, Chocolate, Lemon Meringue, and Pumpkin). Tickets are $5 and will be available at the door.

Music and Service

On the following day (February 21) at 10:00 am, a special service will be held in the little church on North Avenue. The lay speaker will be Mary Lou Waite, who will present a fable to illustrate her message. A very special musical accompaniment will be provided by local guitarist Joe Davies, who

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"Mothers Who Pray" Support Group

"Mothers Who Pray," a stay-at-home mothers support group, will meet on February 25 from 9:30 - 11:00 am in the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. Babysitting is available for a $2 fee. For information or to sign up, please call Paula Desrosiers at 763-8611 or the Congregational Church office at 758-2671.

American Legion — Mattapoisett

The Florence Eastman Post #280 of the American Legion will meet on Wednesday, February 17 at 7:30 pm in the Legion Hall on Depot Street.

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Rochester Lions Club Breakfast

The Rochester Lions Club's breakfasts are held on the second Sunday of every month. Breakfast consists of pancakes or French toast, with a choice of bacon or sausage, juice and coffee.

Breakfast is served from 7:30 to 11:30 am at the Rochester Grange Hall, Hartley Road in Rochester. The next breakfast will be on Sunday, February 14. Price is adults: $3, seniors and students: $2.

Chicken Pot Pie Supper

A delicious Chicken Pot Pie Supper, sponsored by the Friends of the Elderly, will be held on February 13 at St. Anthony's Church from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. Tickets for the popular event are $6 for adults, and $4 for children and are on sale at the door or by calling Ginny (758-9722) or Vivianne (758-6451).

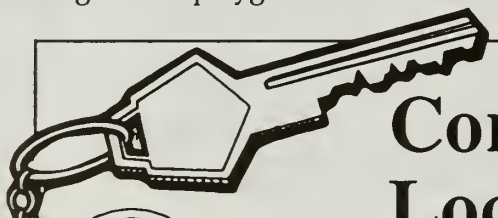
Mattapoisett Woman's Club

Card and Game Party

On Thursday, February 18, the Mattapoisett Woman's Club will sponsor a card and game party. It will take place at the Congregational Church Hall from 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm. A sandwich luncheon will be served. A donation of $5 will be accepted from each person. All money received will be given to the New Bedford Women's Center. Hostesses for the luncheon will be June Cleveland and Liz Kudriavetz and their committee. Everyone is invited to attend. For more information, please call Marilyn Randall at 758-2000.

Sweetheart Dance in Rochester

The Rochester group "Friends for Fun" will be sponsoring a Sweetheart Dance on Saturday, February 20 from 8:00 pm - 12:00 midnight to raise funds for playground equipment. The dance will be held at The Highlander in Acushnet. Music will be by Twilight Sound and a continental breakfast will be served. Tickets are $6 per person, all proceeds will go to the playground fund. The dance is



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All of these items are available at the Museum and Carriage House, 5 Church Street, Tuesday through Thursday mornings or by calling 758-2844.

Marion Council on Aging (COA)

Income Tax Assistance

Tax assistance will be available to all Marion Senior Citizens starting in February. John Hall and Kathy Marx will be the group's certified tax advisors. Please call 748-3570 for an appointment.

Fuel Assistance — PACE

Every Thursday, Robert Andresen will be the COA's PACE representative at the Town Hall from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. In order to qualify for fuel assistance, you must meet certain guidelines. For further information or to make an appointment, please call 748-3570,

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If you are unable to come, have a friend or a family member pick up your commodities. The COA is unable to deliver commodities to individual households.

Food Pantry

On Tuesday, February 16, Rose Jackson, the COA van driver, will take eligible senior citizens to the Food Pantry in Wareham for commodities. The van will leave at approximately 10:00 am. Please call Rose Jackson at 748-2209 to be picked up.

Rochester Council on Aging (COA)

Matinee Movie

February's movie at the Senior Center is "Housesitter," a delightful comedy starring Goldie Hawn and Steve Martin. Showtime is Thursday, February 11 at 1:00. Everyone is invited, there is no admission charge.

Art Class

On the second and fourth Wednesday of the month, Art Classes will be held at the Center. Al Anderson instructs budding artists at all levels. Students are required to purchase their own supplies and there is no charge for instruction. The next class is scheduled for February 24. Classes begin at 1:00 pm.

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Tax Assistance

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Commodities

PACE has advised the COA that there will not be a distribution of government surplus foods until April.

Blood Pressure/Health Screening

All residents are welcome to have their blood pressure checked on Tuesday, February 16 from 1:00 to 2:30 pm at Town Hall. This bimonthly clinic, with MVN/St. Luke's staff, is sponsored by the COA and the Rochester Board of Health.

COA Board Meeting

The COA Board will meet on Wednesday, February 17 at 10:00 am in the Town Hall Conference Room.

Rochester SHARE D-Day

SHARE Distribution Day for February is Saturday, February 27 from 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm in Town Hall. Participants need to bring their cash receipts and signed community service slips, as well as a good-sized, sturdy box to hold your order. Food *must* be picked up at this time. The site closes at 1:00 pm and unclaimed food packages will go to food kitchens. There are no refunds.

You can pre-register for the March SHARE package on that day. Bring $13 in cash or food stamps for each package you wish to order. Regular March registration day is Monday, March 1 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm in Town Hall. For further information, please call the COA at 763-8723.

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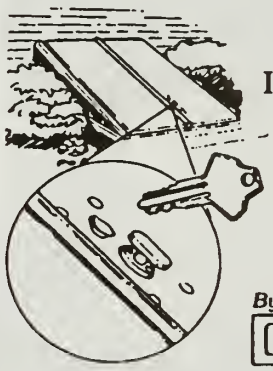

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• Close Encounters with Nature — A chance for kids to become junior naturalists. They'll love exploring the coastline, beach, marshes, forest, and ponds on our beautiful 22-acre site. Exploration, discovery and crafts are all a part of the encounter for children in Grades 1 - 6.

• Watercolors — Always wanted to paint, but afraid to try? Instructor Holly Bowers teaches both youth and adults this fun and expressive art form.

• Country-Western Dance Lessons — Dance teacher Regina Chandanais will teach couples and singles the Texas Two-Step, East Coast Swing, Line Dances and much more every Saturday afternoon from 1:00 to 2:30 pm.

For a copy of the Center's brochure and more information on these and other events, please call the YMCA Youth and Family Center at 758-4203. The YMCA Youth and Family Center is located on Reservation Road in Mattapoisett.

Vacation Day Camp

On February 15 through 19, the YMCA Youth and Family Center will be holding a Vacation Day Camp for children in Grades 1 - 6.

This is a great way for kids to spend Winter break from school. Activities will include outdoor hikes, arts & crafts, sports, games, cooking, field trips, and movies. The cost of the program includes a delicious hot lunch each day, snacks and a FREE T-shirt.

This program will be held every day from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm and will be supervised by experienced YMCA staff. To register, or for more information, please call 758-4203.

Yoga Classes

The YMCA Youth and Family Center is offering Yoga classes on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10:00 am. Classes are led by certified Yoga instructor, Shelley Lang.

Please join the enthusiastic group and learn Yoga postures that can reduce the effects of stress in your life. Men and women of all ages can feel the benefits of the practice of Yoga. Drop in, meet new friends, and exercise in a relaxed atmosphere while enjoying a peaceful view of Mattapoisett Harbor.

Please wear loose, comfortable clothing. Floor mats are provided. Prices are $1.50 per class for YMCA members and $3 per class for the general public. Please call the Center office (758-4203) for

more information.

Senior Luncheons

Luncheons begin at 11:00 am and end at 1:00 pm every Thursday. The meal is served promptly at 12:00 noon. The cost of the luncheon is $2 for members of the YMCA and $4 for the general public. Reservations are required, so please call the Center Office at 758-4203.

Facility Rentals

The YMCA Youth and Family Center, site of Camp Massasoit, is also available for group rentals throughout the year. The facility is an ideal setting for business meetings, school functions, church picnics, family reunions, training seminars or any special event.

Please call 758-4203 for a copy of the brochure detailing the availability of this beautiful facility. The YMCA is a non-profit organization dedicated to the improvement of the spiritual, mental, social, and physical conditions of all persons. Use of alcohol is prohibited at all programs and events held at the YMCA Youth and Family Center.

The Maconchu Club

Games Night

Whist, Scrabble, Checkers ... plus other assorted games to test a person's knowledge, skill, dexterity, humor, and the like are what Games Night is all about. The event will be held on Saturday, February 20 at 7:30 pm. To add to the fun, the group asks that each person bring a wrapped "something" for the prize pool. Refreshments will be available throughout the evening and everyone is encouraged to bring a guest.

"Anything Goes" at NBHS

The Maconchu Club has reserved a block of tickets for the Saturday, April 3 performance of Cole Porter's "Anything Goes" at New Bedford High School. Tickets cost $6 per person and will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. They may be purchased at the February meeting or by calling Bette Roberts at 758-2654. Please make checks payable to "Maconchu Club."

Dinner for Two

The Dinner for Two books are still available. For $32.95 you can celebrate something every week ... buy one dinner, get one FREE at some of the area's very best restaurants. The coupons are good through December 1993, so don't wait to call Janet or Bill Matthews at 758-2170.

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Marion Art Center

The Donna Prypin Trio is coming to the Marion Art Center on Valentine's Day, Sunday, February 14 at 4:00 pm for an afternoon of celebration and singing. The informal cabaret concert will feature a blend of jazz, folk and contemporary love songs in keeping with the special day.

The group combines the string colors of violin, mandolin, lute, acoustic and classical guitar with two- and three-part harmony. Donna Prypin teaches voice at the Marion Art Center and Cape Cod Conservatory. Joe Scott teaches guitar at the New England Conservatory, Milton Academy and the Cape Cod Conservatory. The group performs regularly in Eastern Massachusetts.

Refreshments will be served and are included in the $5 ticket price for Art Center members, $6 for general admission. Reservations for tables are recommended. Please call 748-1266.

Also featured at the Art Center from February 18 - 27 is "Play On," a comedy by Rick Abbott, directed by Christopher LeBlanc. Shows will be staged on Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8:00 pm, with cabaret seating. Reservations are recommended and can be had by calling 748-1266.

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The Senior Van will be taking seniors to their appointments whenever possible to try and assist FISH with the abundance of calls that are being received.

Physician Hours (All hours listed are for Tuesday afternoons):

- Dr. W.E. Perras — 2:30 - 3:30 (Specialty: General Surgery).
- Dr. Rayford Kruger — 2:30 - 3:30 (Specialty: General and Vascular Surgery).
- Dr. Thomas Streeter — 2:30 - 3:30 (Specialty: General Surgery).
- Dr. Wendy Stern — 1:30 - 3:30 (Specialty: Ear, Nose, and Throat; Head and Neck Surgery).
- Dr. David Stroud — 1:30 - 3:30 (Specialty: Internal Medicine).
- Dr. Emmet Eby — 1:30 - 3:30 (Specialty: Pulmonary Medicine, Critical Care Medicine, Internal Medicine).
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Tax Returns

Mr. John Hall is accepting appointments on Wednesdays to assist with tax returns. Please call the COA office to schedule a time. Mr. Hall would also like everyone to be sure and bring all new information along with last year's return. Call 758-4110 for further information.

Hearing Assessment

Dr. Wendy Stern is offering a FREE hearing assessment to be given at her offices (112 Main Street, Wareham) by Nancy DeCarr, audiologist.

The hearing assessment is scheduled for February 23 from 9:00 am - 11:30 am. If you are interested in attending, please call the COA office at 758-4110 by February 18. Van transportation will be available.

Hyannis Mall Trip

The senior van will be going to the Hyannis Mall and Christmas Tree Shop on February 25. The van will leave Village Court at 9:30 am and St. Anthony's Church parking lot at 9:45 am. Please call 758-4110 if you are interested in attending.

Spring Flower Show

The senior van will be going to the Spring Flower Show on March 11. Tickets are available for $10 each which includes van transportation. If you are interested, please call the COA at 758-4110.

Friends of the Elderly — Mattapoisett

Senior Workshop is held at Village Court every Wednesday. All area residents are welcome. If you need a ride, you may call the COA, they will be glad to help you.

The Seahorse sun catchers are in. They are now on sale at the Seaport Pharmacy and the Mattapoisett Pharmacy along with suction cups. The cost is $5 for the Seahorse, and 50 cents for the suction cups plus tax.

SHARE distribution for the month will be held on February 27 at the Old Hammondtown School. Please come between 12:00 noon and 1:30 pm.

A Chocolate Buffet for Valentine's Day

This Valentine's Day, treat yourself and your loved ones to the "Romance of Chocolate" at the Rotch-Jones-Duff House and Garden Museum at 396 County Street in New Bedford. On Sunday, February 14, the Museum will offer an "All You Can Eat Chocolate Buffet" from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm. The Museum will feature a delicious assortment of chocolate desserts guaranteed to delight chocolate lovers both young and old.

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students, will enhance this culinary experience with a lively selection of classical music. The cost of the buffet is $10 for adults, and $5 for children ages 12 and under. Advanced reservations are required and may be made by calling 997-1401. Seating is limited and reservations will be made in the order in which they are received.

Mattapoisett Senior Touring Club

The following events are planned for the weeks ahead:

• May 17 - 21 — Five-day trip to the Tulip Festival Time in Ottawa, Canada and Toronto. Eight meals included. $25 deposit due February 15.

• June 23 - 24 — Two-Day Trip to Ogunquit, Maine, including Gorge's Grant, Ogunquit Theater, boat ride, visit to Marginal Way and Perkins Cove. Two meals, lobster bake and breakfast are included with the trip.

• July 17 — Whale Watch Cruise, Boston. Includes continental breakfast and box lunch.

• July 19-21 — Three-Day Trip to Springfield, Vermont, Shelbourne Museum, Lake Sunapee Cruise, Manchester Outlets. Includes four meals.

• September 3-10 — Eight-Day Air Trip to Branson, Missouri and the Ozarks. Five nights of entertainment, riverboat cruise, passion play. Includes 13 meals.

• October 4-8 — Five-Day Trip to "The Granit" in the Catskills. Deluxe accommodations, lots of activities, delicious meals.

For further information on any of these trips, please call Florence at 758-2972.

All-Town Recycling Committee Meeting

The next bi-monthly meeting of the All-Town Recycling Committee will take place at Wareham Town Hall on February 28 at 7:00 pm.

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Book Reviews

Power, Privilege, and The Post: The Katharine Graham Story
• Carol Felsenthal, G.P. Putnam's, $29.95

Katharine Graham was born into a family of wealth and privilege. Her father, Eugene Meyer, enjoyed several distinguished careers. As a businessman, he was worth almost $60 million in 1915, at age 40. He told one man who worked for him that there were not more than twelve men in the world who fully understood how money was created and he was one of them.

Because he wanted to influence policy makers, he bought *The Washington Post* at an auction sale in 1933. As a publisher in a competitive newspaper market, he lost a lot of money while *The Post* gained respect.

From the beginning, his daughter, following a tumultuous marriage to Phil Graham (who was often described as the "most magnetic young man of his generation") and his tragic death, Katherine ascended to a position as the only female head of a Fortune 500 company.

Felsenthal's portrait is not all flattering. "The men who worked for her — and granted that many of them were Kay Graham castoffs — have little respect for her abilities as a businesswoman," Felsenthal writes. Two former executives agree that she was best when she followed her instincts.

Fugitive Blue
• Dani Shapiro, Doubleday, $20

Joanna Hirsch is a beautiful young actress in New York who must overcome a strange childhood in New Jersey punctuated by her mother's abandonment. Georgie Higgins Hirsch, Joanna's mother, is a famous sculptor and although physically and emotionally absent, her mother haunts Joanna and every subsequent relationship she has.

Outwardly Joanna's life seems charmed: she is featured in *Vogue* and other magazines as an up-and-coming star. Work is abundant. But inwardly, she is tortured, and she drinks too much.

With aplomb Shapiro conveys Joanna's New York world of off-broadway shows, Hell's Kitchen, fashionable restaurants, Shakespeare in the Park, trendy bars, and random urban violence.

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and Town Health Clerks/Board of Health members are invited from the regional towns. In addition, teachers and administrators involved in school recycling programs and education are encouraged to attend. The goal of the meeting is to learn what schools are accomplishing and how volunteer recycling groups can best support their efforts.

St. Anthony's Parish — Mattapoisett

Mass Schedule

The Mass schedule at St. Anthony's Church is as follows: Saturday — 4:30 pm; Sunday — 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am. Daily Mass is held at 8:00 am.

Religious Education

There will be no classes on February 15 and 16, there will also be no preschool on February 14 and 21. Classes begin for Grades 7 and 8 on Monday, February 22 in the church hall from 6:45 to 8:00 pm. Letters and a schedule of classes will be mailed before classes begin. For further information, please call Mary Callan at 758-6024.

Rochester School Committee Meeting

A meeting of the Rochester School Committee will be held on February 25 at 7:30 pm in the auditorium of Memorial School on Pine Street in Rochester.

Sippican Seniors

Senior Drop-In Center

The Senior Drop-In Center in the Congregational Community Center Hall offers Bridge on Tuesday and Thursday. Please call Dorothy Tortora at 295-2786 for Tuesday information, or Ceil Barry at 748-1223 for Thursday information.

The second and fourth Tuesdays of each month are scheduled in various members' homes, while all other sessions are held at the drop-in center. Whist Parties are also being offered on the second and fourth Tuesday each month at 1:00 pm. For information call Natalie Sullivan at 748-1467.

Senior Travellers

• On February 23 through February 25, the group will host a winter special trip to Atlantic City. Travellers will stay for 3 days and 2 nights and travel by deluxe motorcoach. Accommodations will be provided at Bally's Park Place Casino Hotel and Tower. The cost of the trip is $109 per person.

• On March 17, the group will take a day trip to Independence Harbor for a St. Patrick's Bash, including a complete luncheon with entertainment by Mel Simon's Irish Special and visit to Vitadella Chiesa Vineyards for a guided tour and wine tasting. The cost of the trip is $30 per person.

• On April 7, the group will take a day trip to "Forever Plaid," Boston's smash musical hit.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Selectmen will conduct a Public Hearing on the application of EAC Operations, Rt. 28, Cranberry Highway, Rochester, MA to store 2,000 gallons of diesel fuel in an above ground tank located on property at 153 Cranberry Highway, Rochester, MA more particularly described on Assessors' Maps as Plan 17, Lot 53.

Said Hearing will be held on Monday, February 22, 1993 at 7:15 pm in the Selectmen's Office.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN 2/5 -2/12

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, March 2, 1993 at 7:45 pm in Room 203 of the Mattapoisett Town Hall concerning the application of Robert M. Sherman for a proposed subdivision of land located on Fairview Drive and shown as lots 152, 158 & 165 on Mattapoisett Assessors' Plat 17. Complete plans for the subdivision are on file in the office of the Town Clerk and may be inspected by any interested party during the normal business hours of the Clerk's Office.

Christopher Jaskolka
Clerk, Mattapoisett Planning Board 2/12 - 2/19

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
NOTICE OF TRASH PICK-UP SCHEDULE

As of January 1, 1993, Trash pick-up in Mattapoisett will be on Thursdays and Fridays regardless of holidays unless the holiday falls on a Thursday or Friday. Please have your rubbish at the curb by 7:00 am on your pickup day.

If you have any questions or need further information, please call (508) 758-4112.

Dale Barrows, Agent
Mattapoisett Board of Health 2/12 - 2/19

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the application of Peter S. Macgregor, 125 Vaughan Hill Road, for a Variance from set back requirements under Section VIII C.3. of Protective By-laws.

Hearing will be held Thursday, February 25, 1993 at 7:30 pm in the Town Hall Conference Room.

Richard D. Cutler, Chairman
Board of Appeals 2/12 - 2/19

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For further information on these and other trips, please call Helen Lefort (295-5886) or Natalie Sullivan (748-1467).

Still Cooking Up Recipes

The Mattapoisett Historical Society would like to remind all area cooks to get those recipes in by the end of February for possible inclusion in the Society's cookbook. The group would like to thank all those who have responded thus far. But they

could still use more entries.

There are no requirements for submitting recipes, just make sure they are legible and accurate.

The group is hoping to have the cookbook ready for release by Harbor Days in July. For further information, please call Bette Roberts at 758-2844.

Dinner/Dance to Benefit Rochester Police

A Steak Dinner and Dance to benefit the Rochester Police Department will be held on Saturday, February 27 at the Marion VFW hall on Route 6. Cocktails will be served at 6:00 pm and dinner will begin at 7:00 pm, with music provided by Luke Wetherfield. Admission for the event is $12 per person. Proceeds will be used to help purchase video monitors to be installed in the department's police cruisers. For tickets, please call Lt. Simpson at 763-5112.

"The Art of Dining" in Plymouth

"The Art of Dining," a hilarious satire, will be presented by L.A.F. Productions in dinner theater at the John Carver Inn, 25 Summer Street, Plymouth on Friday and Saturday nights through February 20. Dinner and performance is $26 plus tax and gratuity. For reservations, please call 1-800-274-1620.

School Vacation Week at Heritage Plantation

Two school vacation week programs will be held at Heritage Plantation during students' winter vacation week. All shows will be held in the theater of the Shaker Round Barn.

"Moonlight Adventures," children's literature on the Silver Screen, is scheduled for Wednesday, February 17, at 11:00 am and 1:00 pm. Bring the family, a blanket and a picnic lunch for this moonlit adventure into the world of classic children's literature. "Happy Birthday Moon," "Fox Went Out on a Chilly Night," "Owl Moon," "In the Night Kitchen," and "What's Under My Bed," are all animated films based on award-winning books. Laugh along with your children as you enjoy lunch while watching these imaginary characters tell their tales. The museum provides beverage and dessert. The films are best for ages 5 to 9. The cost is $1.50 for children, $2 for adults, members and friends.

"Shadow Tales," by Heart of Gold Vaudeville, will be held on Friday, February 19 at 11:00 am or 2:00 pm. Written and performed by Rick Adam and Robin Mello, the program will capture your imagination through visually exciting theater. Using mime, hand-shadows, movement, and storytelling, these artists will share favorite and familiar tales such as "Fox and Grapes" and "The Three Wishes."

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Lloyd Center

Owl Prowl

It's owl prowl season again. Come and join the Lloyd Center and leader Bob Caron in searching for these elusive night creatures. February is the best time to view these silent, night flyers due to the owl's nesting season. Learn about these fascinating birds and join the staff for a light breakfast at the conclusion. The owl prowl runs from 3:30 - 6:30 am on February 14. Participants are urged to dress warmly.

If you would like to participate, please pre-register by calling the Lloyd Center at 990-0505. The fee for this walk is $4 (members), $6 (non-members) and includes breakfast following the search.

Seal Watch

On February 20, the Lloyd Center will be traveling to Cuttyhunk Island for an exciting day of seal watching. The day begins with a trip on the M/V Alert out to Cuttyhunk Island to view seals hauled out on Pease Ledge and Gull Island. While traveling, you will learn about the breeding, anatomy, and migration history of seals.

Upon arrival at Cuttyhunk Island, you can explore the natural and human history of Cuttyhunk Island. Be sure to bundle up, bring a camera, and enjoy the day out at sea.

The fee for the Seal Watch is $30 for members and $40 for non-members and the trip will last from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Refreshments and hot drinks will be served at Cuttyhunk Island, but participants are urged to bring a lunch for the day. Please pre-register by calling 990-0505.

Waterfowl of Sachuest

Join the Lloyd Center and discover the waterfowl of Sachuest National Wildlife Refuge in Middletown, RI. This walk will take place on Sunday, February 21 and will run from 1:30 - 3:30 pm. Join Lloyd Center member John Macedo for what is sure to be an exciting day of birding. Participants may see birds such as the uniquely-colored Harlequin ducks, scaup, scoters, cormorants, old squaw, common eider, and some land birds including snowy owl, short-eared owl, and ring-necked pheasant.

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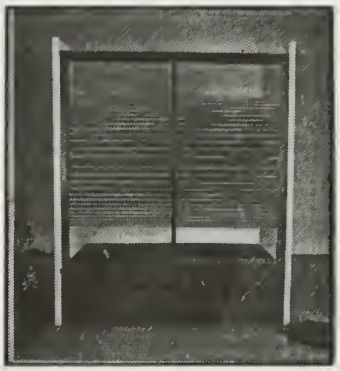

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Women's Health Fair

The UMass Dartmouth Health Office will sponsor a talk on the neglected issue of women and heart disease on February 18. The event is FREE and open to the public.

The risks to women from heart disease and the status of research specific to women's cardiac health will be the subject of this talk sponsored by the American Heart Association from 6:00 - 7:00 pm in Room 108 of the Liberal Arts and Business Building (parking is in lot 2). Diane Sylvia of the Cardiac Rehabilitation Program at St. Luke's Hospital in New Bedford will be the speaker.

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Comprehensive CPR

A comprehensive course in CPR for professional rescuers will be held on February 20 from 9:00 am to 1:30 pm in the Phase 3-A Residence Study Hall. Pre-registration is required along with a $10 fee. For further information, please call the UMass Dartmouth Health Office at 999-8983.

Odyssey Chamber Players

The UMass Dartmouth Music Guild is pleased to announce an upcoming performance given by the Odyssey Chamber Players on Thursday, February 25 at 12:30 pm in Room 153 of the College of Visual and Performing Arts.

Founded in 1978, the Odyssey Chamber Players has established itself as one of the leading chamber ensembles on the East Coast, introducing audiences to a diverse repertoire for winds, strings, and piano through its concert series. Among its many accomplishments, the ensemble has been the recipient of the C. Michael Paul Foundation Grant, administered by Chamber Music America.

The players are Christopher C. Lee (violin), Wendy Rolfe (flute), Erik Friedlander (cello), Mariam Lockhart (clarinet), and Steven Masi (piano).

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Wednesday, February 17:

6:00 pm	**Wareham Selectmen's Meeting**

Thursday, February 18:

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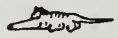

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Leipzig Chamber Orchestra

The 1992-93 Greater New Bedford Concert Series (GNBCS) is proud to present the Leipzig Chamber Orchestra of Germany in their first North American tour on Thursday, February 25 at 8:00 pm. The orchestra, under the direction of Georg Moosdorf, will perform the following pieces at the Z: Haydn's "Symphony No. 89 in F Major," Mozart's "Rondo for Violin and Orchestra in C Major, K. 373," Beethoven's "Romance for Violin and Orchestra in G Major, Op. 40," Beethoven's "Romance for Violin and Orchestra in F Major, Op. 50," and Schubert's "Symphony No. 5 in B-flat Major, D. 485."

The Leipzig Chamber Orchestra has been receiving praise from European critics for over 20 years. The "Leipziger Vokszeitung" wrote, "Extremely careful articulation, well-blended tone quality and precisely layered dynamics made for a very lyrical interpretation of Mozart's 'Haffner Serenade.'"

Tickets for the concert are $21, $25, and $29, with a $2 senior/student discount.

A New England Sampler

The Z's Travelogue Series presents "A New England Sampler" on Friday, February 26 at 7:00 pm, sponsored by Baker Books, Compass Bank, and the Durant Sail Loft Inn. Woody Thomas, Travelogue Producer, returns to the Z with his latest full-length feature film which focuses on our own backyard — the six New England states.

From the landing of the Pilgrims to the American Revolution to the Industrial Revolution to the modern day, New England has helped shape the destiny of the nation. In his film, Mr. Thomas begins his trip at the tip of Cape Cod and circles throughout New England in all seasons. He'll share with his audience the lives and accomplishments of some well known and not so well known New Englanders including one of Boston's most famous residents, Paul Revere, and Roger Williams and Anne Hutchinson of Rhode Island.

The film also captures the "summer cottages" of Newport, RI, the maritime commerce of Mystic Seaport, CT, the Green Moutains of Vermont, New Hampshire's Mount Washington, and the windjammers and steam cars of Maine.

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Wednesday, February 17: Lasagna with Sauce, Normandy Style Vegetables, Garlic Roll, Orange Juice and Vanilla Pudding.
Thursday, February 18: Baked Chicken Breast, Baked Potato, Francais Blend Vegetables, Biscuit and Fresh Fruit.
Friday, February 19: New England Clam Chowder, Codfish Cakes, Baked beans, Cole Slaw, Corn Bread and a Blueberry Square.
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February 13:	**Sat.**	6:44	5:14	10:30
February 14:	**Sun.**	6:43	5:15	10:32
February 15:	**Mon.**	6:41	5:16	10:35
February 16:	**Tues.**	6:40	5:18	10:38
February 17:	**Wed.**	6:38	5:19	10:41
February 18:	**Thur.**	6:37	5:20	10:43
February 19:	**Fri.**	6:36	5:21	10:45
February 20:	**Sat.**	6:34	5:23	10:49
February 21:	**Sun.**	6:33	5:24	10:51

Phases of the Moon

Last Quarter	February 13th	9:58 am
New Moon	February 21st	8:06 am
First Quarter	March 1st	10:47 am
Full Moon	March 8th	4:47 am

Upcoming Astronomical Events

Double Conjunction

On February 17th, Neptune and the Moon and Uranus and the Moon will be at their closest in the sky. Visibility will be minimal due to the moon rise which is at 2:09 am.

Local Tides

Date	Day	High a.m.	High p.m.	Low a.m.	Low p.m.
February 12:	**Fri.**	. . .	12:09	5:36	5:41
February 13:	**Sat.**	12:41	1:09	6:41	6:41
February 14:	**Sun.**	1:44	2:13	8:04	7:59
February 15:	**Mon.**	2:47	3:14	9:40	9:28
February 16:	**Tues.**	3:49	4:15	10:49	10:34
February 17:	**Wed.**	4:45	5:08	11:38	11:37
February 18:	**Thur.**	5:34	5:55	. . .	12:21
February 19:	**Fri.**	6:19	6:38	12:15	12:47
February 20:	**Sat.**	7:00	7:18	12:51	1:10
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